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SUBJECT: SECOND WORLD FESTIVAL OF BLACK ARTS

IN A TOGO-PRESSE ARTICLE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 13, INVITING TOGOLESE LISTENERS AND TELEVIEWERS TO TUNE IN AT 8:45 P.M. TO HEAR MINISTER OF YOUTH, SPORTS, CULTURE AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AGBENOWOSSI KOFFI TELL OF TOGO'S PARTICIPATION, JOURNALIST DEKOU ABOTSI SAID THE FOLLOWING, AMONG OTHER THINGS: QUOTE THE WHOLE WORLD IS ACTIVELY PREPARING FOR THIS GREAT FESTIVAL. THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WHICH AT THE START WAS VERY COOL TO THE IDEA OF THIS FESTIVAL WILL ATTEND IN FORCE. MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND AMERICANS WILL BE INVADING LAGOS WITH THEIR WORKS, THEIR SONGS, THEIR FILMS AND THEIR THEATRE END QUOTE.

POST SUGGESTS STORY IN ENGISH AND FRENCH, UPDATING AF 69 OF MAY 9; PROVIDING MORE DETAIL ON PROBABLE EXTENT OF UNITED STATES PRIVATE PARTICIPATION THROUGH DONALDSON ZONAL COMMITTEE; LIKELY ATTENDANCE LEVEL OF U.S. VISITORS TO FESTIVAL, DESCRIPTION EARLY CU/AF GRANT OF FUNDS; AND OTHER REFUTATION OF CHARGE EARLY UNCLASSIFIED

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U.S. QUOTE RETICENCE END QUOTE TO FESTIVAL IDEAS-STORY

MIGHT INTEREST ALL POSTS.

FESTIVAL DRAWING CONSIDERABLE AREA INTEREST SURE TO ACCELERATE ON ARRIVAL SUMMER VISITORS TO REGION AND AS SCHEDULED OPENING APPROACHES.

ON REVIEW FIRST COPY FESTIVAL NEWS, SENT EMBASSY, NOT TO USIS, POST ASKED TO BE ADDED TO MAILING LIST NOW REQUEST SIX COPIES REGULARLY FOR PASSING TO STAFF, MEDIA, MIN CLUTURE AND LOCAL FESTIVAL COMMITTEE. SMITH

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